Senate File 2338

S-5128

- 1 Amend the House amendment, S-5111, to Senate File 2338, as
- 2 passed by the Senate, as follows:
- 3 l. Page 7, after line 11 by inserting:
- 4 <Sec. . NEW SECTION. 686D.9 Employee reporting of
- 5 COVID-19 right to avoid exposure civil penalty.
- 6 l. A person shall not discharge or in any manner
- 7 discriminate against an employee because the employee has
- 8 filed a complaint or instituted or caused to be instituted a
- 9 proceeding under or related to any condition of employment
- 10 that the employee believes to pose an undue risk of a COVID-19
- ll infection or has testified or is about to testify in any such
- 12 proceeding or because of the exercise by the employee on behalf
- 13 of the employee or others of a right afforded by this chapter.
- 2. A person shall not discharge or in any manner
- 15 discriminate against an employee because the employee, who
- 16 with no reasonable alternative, refuses in good faith to be
- 17 exposed to COVID-19; provided the employee, where possible, has
- 18 first sought through resort to regular statutory enforcement
- 19 channels, unless there has been insufficient time due to the
- 20 urgency of the situation, or the employee has sought and been
- 21 unable to obtain from the person a correction of the dangerous
- 22 condition.
- 23 3. A person violating this section shall be assessed a
- 24 civil penalty of one thousand dollars, and shall reinstate the
- 25 employee with back pay, pay the employee front pay equal to the
- 26 total amount of back pay, and reimburse the employee for the
- 27 employee's court costs and attorney fees.>
- 28 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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